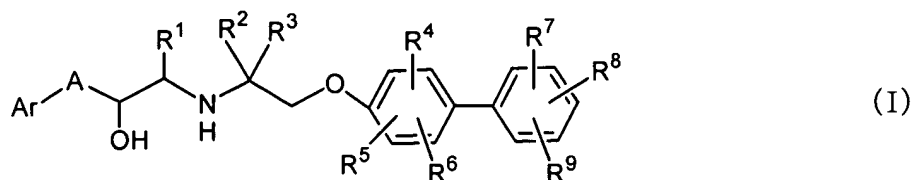


## ABSTRACT

The present invention provides compounds represented by general formula (I):



a prodrug thereof, or pharmaceutical acceptable salts thereof,  
 5 wherein  $R^1$  is hydrogen or lower alkyl; each of  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  is  
 independently hydrogen or lower alkyl; each of  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  is  
 independently hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl or lower alkoxy;  
 $R^7$  is hydrogen or lower alkyl;  $R^8$  is hydrogen, halogen, lower  
 alkyl, lower alkoxy, etc;  $R^9$  is  $-\text{COR}^{10}$ ,  $-\text{A}^1-\text{COR}^{10}$ ,  $-\text{O}-\text{A}^2-\text{COR}^{10}$ ,  
 10 etc; Ar is optionally substituted phenyl or heteroaryl; and A  
 is a bond,  $-\text{OCH}_2-$ , etc, which exhibit potent and  
 selective  $\beta_3$ -adrenoceptor stimulating activities. The present  
 invention also provides pharmaceutical compositions containing  
 said compound, and uses thereof.